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RURAL INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of rural industries in the States particularly, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the amount allocated and utilised for setting up and development of rural industries during each of the last three years State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): Village industry units are set up under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) by eligible entrepreneurs in various parts of the country, including North-Eastern Region (NER). For this purpose, margin money assistance is provided to the entrepreneurs by the Government through the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) and loans are made available by banks. Since inception of the REGP, 19249 village industry units have been set up providing employment to 3,94,621 persons upto 31.03.2007. The status of the village industries set up under REGP in Andhra Pradesh during 2006-07, is given below:

Industry Group	Number of projects	Employment (Number of persons)	Value of Production (Rs. lakh)
Food & agro based industry	627	14627	8373.81
Forest based industry	124	1399	518.28
Handmade paper/fibre	360	1842	4824.28
Mineral based industry	93	27921	666.95
Polymer & chemical based industry	36	1413	519.91
Rural Engineering & biotechnology	292	6073	2303.70
Service/ Textile	581	6475	208.18
Total	2113	59750	17415.11

(b): REGP is a Central Sector scheme and the approved grants for the scheme are released to the KVIC which, in turn, releases the funds (towards margin money assistance) to the banks against the projects sanctioned in each State/Union Territory (UT). The State/UT - wise details of margin money allocated by KVIC under the REGP during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 are given at Annex. I and the details of margin money utilised are given at Annex. II.